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1. IN RESPONSE TO REFTEL REQUEST, EMBASSY AT ITS DISCRETION MAY INFORM GOJ THAT IN PLANNING TO PROPOSE AT 29 UNGA A STRENGTHENED UN SYSTEM-WIDE EVALUATION UNIT, WE ARE HOPEFUL THAT OTHER MEMBER STATES WILL SUPPORT THE FOLLOWING IMPORTANT CHARACTERISTICS.

2. THE US, RECOGNIZING THE COMPLEXITIES INVOLVED IN DEVISING AN IMPROVED UN SYSTEM EVALUATION CAPABILITY, INTENDS TO SUPPORT THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A WORKING GROUP TO DEAL WITH THIS AND OTHER MATTERS REQUIRING 29TH UNGA CONSIDERATION UNDER AGENDA ITEM 75 "REVIEW OF THE INTERGOVERNMENTAL AND EXPERT MACHINERY DEALING WITH THE FORMULATION, REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF PROGRAMS AND BUDGETS." AS A MAJOR SOURCE OF FEEDBACK ON PROGRAM IMPLEMENTATION, THE PLANNED EVALUATION UNIT WOULD PROVIDE VITAL SUPPORT FOR THE BUDGET

REVIEW PROCESS. BOTH BUDGET REVIEW AND EVALUATION WILL BE FACILITATED BY THE RECENT ACTION TAKEN AT THE 57TH ECOSOC FOR EXPEDITING THE DEVELOPMENT OF AN INFORMATION SYSTEM (CORE) WHICH IS DESIGNED TO PROVIDE AN UP-DATED INVENTORY OF ALL UN SYSTEM PROGRAMS AND PROJECTS.

3. THE EVALUATION MECHANISM SHOULD BE COMPLETELY INDEPENDENT OF SECRETARIATS AND HAVE BROAD AUTHORITY AND RESPONSIBILITY TO PROVIDE MEMBER GOVERNMENTS AND GOVERNING BODIES OF THE UN SYSTEM WITH INDEPENDENT AND CONTINUOUS SELECTIVE REVIEWS OF SIGNIFICANT PROGRAMS AND ACTIVITIES.

4. THESE REVIEWS SHOULD PROVIDE MEMBER GOVERNMENTS WITH INFORMATION REGARDING WHETHER OR NOT THE UN SYSTEM ACTIVITIES ACHIEVE INTENDED SOCIAL AND ECONOMIC OBJECTIVES IN AN ECONOMICAL, EFFICIENT, AND EFFECTIVE MANNER.

5. THE EVALUATION REPORTS SHOULD INCLUDE RECOMMENDATIONS FOR CORRECTIVE MEASURES TO IMPROVE THESE PROGRAMS AND ACTIVITIES CONSISTENT WITH THE CHARTERS ESTABLISHING THE ORGANIZATIONS AND POLICIES ESTABLISHED BY THEIR GOVERNING BODIES.

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6. THE EVALUATION UNIT SHOULD BE REQUIRED TO REPORT PROMPTLY ITS FINDINGS AND RELATED RECOMMENDATIONS DIRECTLY TO THE GOVERNING BODIES CONCERNED TOGETHER WITH COMMENTS PROVIDED BY THE RESPECTIVE SECRETARIATS.

7. THE PROCEDURES TO BE ESTABLISHED SHOULD PROVIDE FOR SYSTEMATIC FOLLOW-UP REPORTING ON THE ACTIONS TAKEN TO IMPLEMENT THE APPROVED RECOMMENDATIONS.

8. THE PROGRAM OF CONTINUING REVIEWS DOES NOT ENVISAGE AN ANNUAL EXAMINATION OF ALL UN SYSTEM ACTIVITIES BUT RATHER A TIME-PHASED PLAN APPROVED BY THE GOVERNING BODIES THAT WOULD PROVIDE FOR SYSTEMATIC COVERAGE OVER A REASONABLE PERIOD OF TIME OF ALL SIGNIFICANT OPERATIONS IN ACCORD WITH AN ASSIGNMENT OF PRIORITIES.

9. THESE INDEPENDENT REVIEWS WOULD TAKE ACCOUNT OF INTERNAL REVIEWS AND EXTERNAL FINANCIAL AUDITS TO AVOID UNNECESSARY DUPLICATION OF EFFORT.

10. THE EVALUATION UNIT SHOULD BE DIRECTED BY AN INDIVIDUAL HIGHLY QUALIFIED IN FINANCIAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE MANAGEMENT. THE STAFF SHOULD CONSIST OF AN ADEQUATE NUMBER OF PROFESSIONALS SUCH AS ECONOMISTS, MANAGEMENT

ANALYSTS, AUDITORS, AND OTHERS EXPERIENCED IN MULTILATERAL AFFAIRS,

11. THE U.S. INTENDS TO PROVIDE, ON A MORE TECHNICAL LEVEL, A SET OF PERFORMANCE AND REPORTING STANDARDS FOR CONSIDERATION BY THE PROPOSED WORKING GROUP.

12. WE WOULD ASSUME THAT ANY EVALUATION MECHANISM RESULTING FROM THE WORK OF THE WORKING GROUP WOULD ENCOMPASS THE FUNCTIONS OF THE CURRENT JOINT INSPECTION UNIT (JIU) AND WOULD DRAW A CLEAR LINE OF DEMARCATION BETWEEN THE EVALUATION MECHANISM AND THE NARROW FISCAL RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE EXTERNAL AUDITORS. KISSINGER

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